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This declaration is of the following type:

- original
- design
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- national stage of PCT
- divisional
- continuation
- continuation-in-part (CIP)

INVENTORSHIP DECLARATION

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I verily believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (*if only one name is listed below*) or an original, first and joint inventor (*if plural names are listed below*) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

STENT BODY SOCK

the specification of which:

- a) is being filed concurrently herewith
- b) was filed on 2 October 2001 and assigned Serial No. 09/970458
- c) was filed as PCT International Application No. _____ filed on _____ and amended under PCT Article 19 on _____.

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56.

- In compliance with this duty there is attached an Information Disclosure Statement.
37 CFR 1.97.

PRIORITY CLAIM

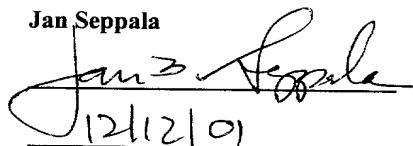
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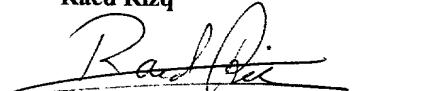
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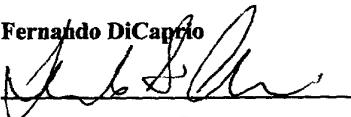
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As assignee of record of the entire interest of the above identified patent application, **Scimed Life Systems, Inc.** hereby appoint all practitioners of **Customer No. 490** to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. I hereby authorize them to act and rely on instructions from, and to communicate directly with, the firm or person which sent this case to Vidas, Arrett & Steinkraus, P.A., unless or until I instruct Vidas, Arrett & Steinkraus P.A., in writing to the contrary.

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